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## INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

## Situation in the Dominican Republic (Report as of 8:00 am EST)

- 1. There were no reports of violence last night but the crisis which began on 6 January continues as neither the chiefs of the regular military nor Caamano and his former rebel officers appear willing to obey a presidential order that they leave the country.
- 2. Leftist forces pushing for a general strike on 10 January to force the departure of the present military leaders have reportedly scheduled demonstrations and labor rallies for today. It now appears, however, that non-Communist leftist groups are having second thoughts about joining the strike. Leaders of Bosch's Dominican Revolutionary Party (PRD) are now opposed to the strike.

3. Caamano and the country's Communist parties and labor fronts continue working to make the strike a success. Dominican Communist Party leaders have reportedly said, however, that they are finding little enthusiasm for the strike among the general public and that it does not ap-

4. A clandestine radio station calling itself "The Nationalist Voice" yesterday called for the return of exiled General Wessin y Wessin as the only solution to the present crisis. The station identified itself as being

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pear to have much chance of success.

anti-Communist and in support of the armed forces. It called on President Garcia Godoy to resign since he could not cope with the situation. The armed forces claim they had nothing to do with the transmissions of this station which Rivera Caminero said was under the control of Rafael Bonnelly, former president of the Council of State government (1962-63).

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